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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was mixed, but mostly steady. Retail demand was light to moderate with few features present. Food service was fair to fairly good, best for active fast food promotions. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, demand was seasonally light to fair. Giblets were well cleared, but all other items were adequate to ample with mixed interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at weights in a full range.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading remains unchanged at 69.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 73.00 cents last year on November 9, 2005.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's

trading.	DOCK PRICE
ITEM	(CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	148.00
BREASTS - B/S	115.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	73.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	80.50
LEG QUARTERS	29.00
WINGS	88.50

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand was seasonally slow to fair as the holidays approach and interests are more focused on other holiday meat items. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was generally fair at best with offerings of all items at least adequate to ample. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were in a full range, but mostly desirable.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers remained seasonally light and unaggressive for midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes ranged adequate to instances ample for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was mostly light. The market tone was no better than steady. In the parts complex, breast items were fully adequate to readily available. Dark meat cuts and wings were at least adequate to fully adequate.

MIDWEST REGION Whole broiler/fryer market tone was mostly steady. Fill-in trade reported int eh St. Louis area on 2 3/4 wogs at 62 cents and 3 pound wogs at 57 cents. Offers were fully sufficient for the light trade call. Movement into all channels was mixed, light to fairly good; best for aggressive retail features and food service convenience items. Floor stocks were adequate to long; weights mixed. Parts trade was very light with best demand noted on wings and boneless/skinless breasts. Offerings were moderate to heavy on all items with tenderloins and bone-in dark meat in longest position. The market tone on all parts was mostly steady, instances weak on dark meat cuts.

WESTERN REGION Trade sentiments were mainly steady. Offerings were adequate to ample for full trade needs. Buying activity was light. Retailer demand was light to moderate at best. Floor stocks were adequate to occasionally heavier than desired. The market tone was overall steady on parts.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES **DOWN 3 PERCENT**

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 200 million eggs in incubators during the week ending November 4, 2006. This was down 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP SLIGHTLY

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 165 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 4, 2006. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through November 4, 2006 were 7.62 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED TOTAL 19 SELECTED STATES

PERCENT CHANGE WEEK ENDING 11/04/06 2006 2005 **PREVIOUS YEAR** 206.422 EGGS SET 200,224 -03 CHICKS PLACED 165,455 165,230 0 Source: USDA, NASS

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 16-Dec-06 is estimated at 153.4 million head. This compares to 153.3 million head the previous week and to 157.9 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 166.3 million head and the composite weighted average price was 64.42 cents per pound.

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

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F.O.B. DOCK OR ÉQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

PO	UNDS			WTD	POI	UNDS			WTD
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>(000)</u>	RANGE	MAJORITY	<u>AVG</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	<u>AVG</u>
BREAST - B/S	813	80.00-155.00	-	92.33	BREAST - B/S	688	80.00-155.00	-	92.46
TENDERLOINS	172	84.00-146.00	-	90.88	TENDERLOINS	118	85.00-146.00	-	92.53
BREAST - LINE RUN	T	OO FEW TO REI	PORT		BREAST - LINE RUN	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
FRONT HALVES	T	OO FEW TO REI	PORT		FRONT HALVES	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
LEGS	243	29.00-46.00	30	31.12	LEGS	243	29.00-46.00	30	31.12
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	515	20.00-29.00	23-24	23.50	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	500	20.00-29.00	23	23.12
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	927	21.00-31.00	25	25.35	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	884	20.00-31.00	25	24.94
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	70.00-85.00	-	77.12	WINGS (WHOLE)	295	70.00-85.00	72-78	77.12
WINGS (CUT)	100	92.00-100.00	-	95.90	WINGS (CUT)	195	92.00-100.00	94-98	95.69
DRUMSTICKS	T	OO FEW TO REI	PORT		DRUMSTICKS	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
THIGHS	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT		THIGHS	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
B/S THIGHS	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT		B/S THIGHS	T	OO FEW TO RE	PORT	
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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR — F.O.B. DOCK.

 RANGE
 TODAY'S AVERAGE
 RANGE
 TODAY'S AVERAGE
 5-DAY AVERAGE

 36.50-43.00
 39.02
 36.50-43.00
 39.17
 39.27

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS

Trucklot buying interest was seasonally light and unaggressive as dealers kept floorstocks in close balance with immediate needs. Offerings of breast items were fully adequate to readily available. Dark meat cuts were at least adequate to fully adequate. Wings were fully sufficient. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was barely steady to weak for breast items. The balance of items were steady at best.

*ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

NOVEMBER 07, 2006	CURRENT NEG	WTD		NOVEMBER 08, 2006	CURRENT NEG	WTD	
<u>ITEM</u>	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	<u>ITEM</u>	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	100-105	92.94	955,850	BREAST - B/S	100-105	95.38	746,778
TENDERLOINS	85-90	91.63	197,760	TENDERLOINS	85-90	93.38	144,160
BREAST - WITH RIBS	64-65	69.97	91,320	BREAST - WITH RIBS	63-64	73.84	63,400
BREAST - LINE RUN	64	63.81	77,400	BREAST - LINE RUN	63	62.49	77,400
LEGS	39-40	37.37	164,380	LEGS	39-40	37.42	214,880
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	28-29	29.23	328,160	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	28-29	29.29	200,308
DRUMSTICKS	26-27	31.98	131,450	DRUMSTICKS	26-27	30.50	102,820
THIGHS	24-25	35.05	85,020	THIGHS	24-25	34.32	55,120
B/S THIGHS	80-81	79.34	118,770	B/S THIGHS	80-81	78.01	125,740
WINGS (WHOLE)	84-85	86.97	223,320	WINGS (WHOLE)	84-85	87.50	207,720
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED	0) 10-12	12.11	23,920	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPE	D) 10-12	11.33	24,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	36.96	20,000	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.43	7,520
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65	63.96	30,720	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65	63.65	28,200
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INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

ESTIMATED SI ALIGHTER OF BROIL ER-ERVERS (IN THOLISANDS)

^{**} WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS) AVG									SOUTHERN CALIFOR	<u>NIA (L.A. AREA) PRO</u>	CESSED POULTRY
	<u>ESTIMATED</u>		AC ⁻	<u>TUAL</u>	<u>AVG</u>	<u>WTS</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	WTS	DELIVERED TO RETAIL	<u>LERS</u>	RANGE
	(1,000)		(1,000)				(1,000)		FRESH FRYERS		91-100
	11/08	11/07	11/06	11/03	11/06	11/03	11/01	10/30	ROASTERS 4# & UP		99-108
Alabama	3,899	4,085	3,909	5,024	5.61	5.43	3,909	5.71	HENS UNDER 5#		-
Arkansas	5,048	5,327	5,273	5,266	5.45	5.23	5,252	5.42	HENS OVER 5#		65-74
Delmarva	2,300	2,294	2,286	2,559	5.95	5.78	2,220	5.99	DUCKS		-
KY-LA-TN	2,244	2,302	2,322	2,437	5.25	4.84	2,254	5.26	RABBITS-WHOLE		-
Mississipp	i 2,955	2,916	2,915	3,500	6.01	5.79	2,871	6.03	RABBITS-CUT UP		-
N Carolina	2,703	2,674	2,648	3,006	6.93	6.61	2,572	6.93	SAN FRANCISCO PRO	CESSED POULTRY	
Texas	2,546	2,529	2,569	2,554	5.37	5.14	2,582	5.39	DELIVERED TO REST		TUTIONS
Total	21,695	22,127	21,922	23,906	5.75	5.53	21,660	5.77	FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	93-105
Mon-Wed	65,952 (A)					65,378 (A	1)		DRY PACK	110-114
									ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	98
(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.								DRY PACK	111-118		
Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 08-Nov-06 is estimated to									ICE PACK	86-100	
be 32,458,						•	•	percent		DRY PACK	100-107
from a year ago. (Last week 32,503,000, last year 32,053,000)								DUCKS		190-195	

AVG | SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (LA AREA) PROCESSED POLITRY

^{*} TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 11-NOV-06

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	11/11/06 (1)	11/04/06
CLASS	THOUS	AND HEAD ———
Broiler/fryer	166,250 (2)	165,703
Light hens	1,073	1,123
Heavy hens	1,582	1,643
Total	168,905	168,469

(1)ESTIMATED (2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 11-Nov-06 is 159.9 million head compared to 166.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 166.6 million head or 6.7 million more than estimated available. For the week of 18-Nov-06 the estimated available is 156.3 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

SSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
<u>LBS</u>	<u>LBS</u>
81,667	63,328
103,507	66,894
-21,840	-3,566
-21	-5
	81,667 103,507 -21,840

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCE	ESSED TU	RKEYS	PROCESSED POULTRY		
	11/06/06	10/30/06	11/07/05	11/06/06	10/30/06	11/07/05
PACIFIC COAST LOS	2,001	1,331	3,789	11,250	11,045	5,042
ANGELES	243	221	50	2,867	2,720	2,330

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 6, 2006 RANGE HENS ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX) 67-76 VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX) 69-80

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES FOR 11/07/06

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY LOW HIGH AVG LOW HIGH AVG - 1.00 HEAVY FOWL lb. HEAVY FOWL ea. LIGHT FOWL lb. - LIGHT FOWL ea. MIXED FOWL lb. 1.00 1.75 1.44 MIXED FOWL ea. BANTAMS lb. - BANTAMS ea. 4.00 5.00 BROILERS lb. - BROILERS ea. ROASTERS lb. - ROASTERS ea. FRYERS lb. - FRYERS ea. CHICKS lb. - CHICKS ea. .05 - PULLETS ea. PULLETS lb. BUNNIES lb. - 1.00 - BUNNIES ea. 3.00 - 1.40 ROOSTERS lb. - ROOSTERS ea. 7.00 - GEESE ea. GEESE lb. - TURKEYS ea. TURKEYS lb. 1.50 2.00 1.61 DUCKS ea. DUCKS lb. RABBITS lb. .55 2.05 1.36 RABBITS ea. 2.00 5.25 PIGEONS lb. - PIGEONS ea. GUINEA FOWL lb. - GUINEA FOWL ea. 5.00 6.25 DUCKLINGS lb. - DUCKLINGS ea.

- CALL DUCKS ea.

- TURKEY POULTS ea.-

- GOSLINGS ea.

GUINEA KEETS ea. -

SILKIES ea.

GUINEA PIGS ea.

CHUKARS ea. TOTAL COOPS 108

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending November, 2006							
	Whole		Legs I	Necks,Backs	s Liv	ers	
С	hickens	Breasts	W/Thighs	& Wings G	izzard	s Hens	
RAYON							
Low	60.11	159.74	79.87	16.81	4.20	77.77	
High	65.16	163.94	84.07	21.02	8.41	77.77	
Mostly	63.05	163.94	79.87	21.02	4.20	77.77	
SAN JUA	.N						
Low	59.69	163.94	75.67	16.81	4.20	81.97	
High	64.74	168.15	88.28	25.22	8.41	81.97	
Mostly	63.90	163.94	79.87	25.22	4.20	81.97	
NEW SA	N JUAN						
Low	60.11	159.74	88.28	25.22	4.20	79.87	
High	65.58	163.94	92.48	29.43	8.41	79.87	
Mostly	64.32	159.74	92.48	25.22	8.41	79.87	
BECERF	RA						
Low	60.95	159.74	92.48	25.22	4.20	84.07	
High	66.42	168.15	96.68	29.43	8.41	84.07	
Mostly	64.74	159.74	92.48	29.43	8.41	84.07	

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was mixed and irregular, and for the most part seasonally light and unaggressive. Seller offerings were fully adequate to ample. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 61 to 73 cents. Trade sentiment was no better than steady. In the parts complex, buyer interest was light and selective. Giblets remained well cleared. Breast cuts were readily available and slow to clear. Leg items and wings were fully adequate to ample.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED

	U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	52-74
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A)Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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